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It is requested that the enclosed reference(s) listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO/SB/08A or B be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the above-identified application and be made of record therein.

The enclosed references were cited in an International Search Report (copy enclosed) dated August 28, 2001 from the Japanese Patent Office concerning counterpart International Application No. PCT/JP01/04242 and at pages 2-4 of the specification.

Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the enclosed reference(s) are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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